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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 25 September 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

9 a.m.

3819th meeting

Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Africa

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m.

11th PLENARY MEETING

General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Slovakia

Address by His Excellency The Rt. Hon. Percival James Patterson, PC, QC, MP, Prime Minister of Jamaica

Peru

Croatia

Italy

Romania

United Arab Emirates

(continued overleaf)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 6) for the general debate of the fifty-second session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Secretariat Services Branch (Room S-3670).

3 p.m.

12th PLENARY MEETING

General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Fabián Alarcón Rivera, President of the Republic of Ecuador.
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Ernesto Samper Pizano, President of the Republic of Colombia.
3. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Austria

Address by His Excellency Mr. Abdellatif Filali, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs
and Cooperation of the Kingdom of Morocco

Guyana

Canada

Ireland

Belgium

Committees**SIXTH COMMITTEE**

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT
TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210
OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	6th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1

3 p.m.-
6 p.m.

closed meeting

Conference
Room 10*Subject*

Draft report: Proposed programme budget for the biennium
1998-1999: Chapter II

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMME
AND OPERATIONAL QUESTIONS
(CCPOQ)

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE
AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
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10 a.m.-
1 p.m.

closed meeting

Conference
Room 63 p.m.-
6 p.m.

closed meeting

Conference
Room 6

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MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Thursday, 25 September 1997

RIO GROUP WITH CANADA

10 a.m. -
11.15 a.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 8

GROUP OF 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15 p.m. -
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 5

MEETING OF THE MINISTERS FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND HEADS OF DELEGATIONS OF THE MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES TO THE FIFTY-SECOND SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

11 a.m. -
1 p.m. closed meeting Trusteeship
Council Chamber

3 p.m. -
6 p.m. closed meeting Trusteeship
Council Chamber

RIO GROUP WITH CHINA

5 p.m. -
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 8

RIO GROUP

11.15 a.m. -
12 noon closed meeting Conference
Room 8

Announcement

As from Monday, 1 September 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings as of 19 September will take place at 3.30 p.m. Conference Room E.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS*Friday, 26 September 1997***GENERAL ASSEMBLY***Fifty-second session***10 a.m.****13th PLENARY MEETING****General Assembly Hall**

1. Address by His Majesty King Mswati III, Head of State of the Kingdom of Swaziland.

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Mr. Alfred Sant, Prime Minister of Malta

Malaysia

Poland

Address by His Excellency Mr. Fatos Nano, Prime Minister of the Republic of Albania

Spain

Iceland

3 p.m.**14th PLENARY MEETING****General Assembly Hall**

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Monaco

Greece

Comoros

Myanmar

Turkey

Namibia

Bosnia and Herzegovina

Uganda

Committees**SIXTH COMMITTEE:****WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT
TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210
OF 17 DECEMBER 1996**

10 a.m.	7th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	8th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1

SECOND COMMITTEE

The list of speakers for the general debate of the Second Committee, which will begin on Monday, 13 October 1997, is open for inscription. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Second Committee (June Knesl, tel.: 212-963-5709, fax: 212-963-5935).

THIRD COMMITTEE

The lists of speakers for all items allocated to the Third Committee are open for inscription by delegations. The Committee will begin its substantive work (in accordance with the programme contained in document A/C.3/52/L.1, as approved by the Committee at its 2nd meeting) on Monday, 13 October 1997, at 3 p.m. sharp. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee (Ms. Kate Starr Newell, tel.: 212-963-4248; fax: 212-963-5935 or 963-1712).

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE
AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS**

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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**SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION
COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)**

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 2nd meeting on Tuesday, 30 September 1997, at 3 p.m. sharp in Conference Room 4, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its organization of work (A/C.4/52/L.1).

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items, which will start on Monday, 6 October (see A/C.4/52/L.1), are kindly requested to notify the secretariat (room S-3380, tel.: 963-9223).

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

The Fifth Committee will hold its third meeting on Tuesday, 30 September 1997, at 3 p.m., in Conference Room 3, to consider agenda item 142 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations), in particular the United Nations Logistics Base in Brindisi and the proposals on management of peacekeeping assets.

The status of documentation and the programme of work will be issued in documents A/C.5/52/L.1 and A/C.5/52/L.2 respectively.

Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers on all the items before the Committee is open. Delegations wishing to inscribe their names in the list of speakers are kindly invited to do so with the Secretary of the Committee (tel.: 963-0542).

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CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE UNITED
NATIONS CONVENTION TO COMBAT
DESERTIFICATION IN THOSE COUNTRIES
EXPERIENCING SERIOUS DROUGHT AND/OR
DESERTIFICATION, PARTICULARLY
IN AFRICA

Lists of speakers

The first session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa, will take place in Rome from 29 September to 10 October 1997.

The high-level segment will be held on 7 and 8 and in the morning of 9 October 1997. Statements in this segment will be open to Heads of State or government, ministers and heads of delegation of the States participating in the first session of the Conference of the Parties. It is suggested that the average time for each statement should not exceed 6 minutes.

The list of speakers for the high-level segment is now open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list are requested to contact the office of the Secretary of the Conference of the Parties (Ms. June Chesney, tel.: 963-5742; fax: 963-5935 (from Thursday, 25 September, in Rome, tel.: 570-50346, fax: 5705-0305)).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The informal consultation of the Commission on the Status of Women, originally scheduled for Monday, 29 September 1997, has been postponed to Wednesday, 1 October 1997, at 10 a.m. The consultation will begin consideration of the plans for the forty-second session.

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The first session of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests of the Commission on Sustainable Development will be held from 1 to 3 October 1997 in Conference Room 4. The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document E/CN.17/IFF/1997/1.

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The Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States of the Group of 77 will hold their Twenty-first Annual Ministerial Meeting at United Nations Headquarters on Friday, 26 September 1997, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Forum

The Women's International Forum will meet on Friday, 26 September 1997, at 11 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. The subject will be "Principality of Liechtenstein: A Small Nation in the International Community". The speaker will be H.E. Dr. Andrea Willi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Liechtenstein. Participants should be seated by 10.45 a.m.

Presentation

An informal presentation, by Mr. Alfredo Sfeir-Younis, Special Representative of the World Bank to the United Nations, will take place on Monday, 29 September 1997, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The presentation will include: Mr. James D. Wolfensohn's presentation at the Annual Meetings in Hong Kong (video); and a brief discussion of the World Bank's Annual Report for 1997. All members of delegations, Secretariat staff and the representatives of the non-governmental organizations are invited.

Briefing

The High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mrs. Mary Robinson, will brief non-governmental organizations on Wednesday, 1 October 1997, at 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Secretariat and agency staff are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 24 September 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

9th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Comrade Robert G. Mugabe, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe

H.E. Comrade Robert G. Mugabe, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Kiro Gligorov, President of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

H.E. Mr. Kiro Gligorov, President of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. Mr. Inder Kumar Gujral, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of India, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Dr. Klaus Kinkel, Vice-Chancellor and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Germany, H.E. Mr. Qian Qichen, Vice-Premier and Minister for Foreign Affairs of China, H.E. Mr. Hubert Védrine, Minister for Foreign Affairs of France, and H.E. Mr. Angel Gurria, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mexico.

10th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Milan Kučan, President of the Republic of Slovenia

H.E. Mr. Milan Kučan, President of the Republic of Slovenia, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. Dr. Carlos Alberto Wahnnon de Carvalho Veiga, Prime Minister of the Republic of Cape Verde, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Algirdas Saudargas, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Lithuania, H.E. Mr. Miguel Angel Burelli Rivas, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Venezuela, H.E. Mr. Guido di Tella, Minister for Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship of Argentina, H.E. The Hon. Kwamena Ahwoi, Minister Responsible for Foreign Affairs of Ghana, H.E. Ms. Lena Hjelm-Wallén, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sweden, H.E. Dr. Eduardo Latorre, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Dominican Republic, and H.E. Mr. Venancio de Moura, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Angola.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom and Argentina.

Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

Sixteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

WEDNESDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 1997

402nd and 403rd meetings

Consideration of reports of States parties [4]

The Committee concluded its consideration of the initial report of the Lao People's Democratic Republic (CRC/C/8/Add.32).

The Committee began its consideration of the initial report of Australia (CRC/C/8/Add.31).

In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, the representatives of the States parties were present at those meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 10 September 1996

Signature: Republic of Moldova (24 September 1997)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*, 25 September 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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Film

The Bureau for Programme and Policy Support of the United Nations Development Programme and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights will hold a presentation and discussion of the film "Amazon Journal" by Producer and Director Geoffrey O'Connor, *today*, 25 September 1997, at 6 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

Material for insertion in the *Journal* should be addressed to Room S-1138 (extensions 33888, 36771 and 36776) (e.mail address: JOURNAL@UN.ORG)

Office opens at 4.30 p.m.

